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RE: New U.S. Application for Letters Patent entitled
"MICRO MIRROR UNIT, OPTICAL DISC DRIVE USING SAME, AND
METHOD FOR PRODUCING MICRO MIRROR UNIT"
Applicant(s): Masaki Hara, et al.
Attorney Docket No. 09792909-4737

Dear Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.41(c), I am filing the attached application,
including 14 claims (3 independent) and 12 sheets of drawings (Figs. 1-30) on behalf of

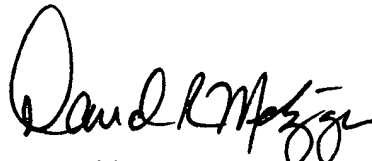
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and request that the application be assigned a serial number and filing date pursuant to the
provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) and 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d).

Very truly yours,

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